

## Tom Lemmon Day

Presented by Council President Georgette Gómez, Councilmember Campbell  
and Councilmember Christopher Ward

October 21, 2020

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon has been a proud trade unionist and member of the International Association of Heat and Frost Insulators and Allied Workers Local 5 for 38 years, serving as a Business Agent, Organizer, and Trustee for the Western States Health and Welfare Benefits Trust Fund; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon has served as Business Manager of the San Diego County Building & Construction Trades Council since 2006 as well as the Chair and CEO of the San Diego County Building & Construction Trades Council Family Housing Corp, where he successfully shepherded billions of dollars in labor agreements during his tenure, while demonstrating a deep commitment to and solidarity with the working men and women of San Diego County and beyond; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon has demonstrated exemplary volunteerism and community leadership by serving on the boards of organizations such as the San Diego & Imperial Counties Labor Council, State Building & Construction Trades Council of California, the San Diego Workforce Partnership, the Center for Policy Initiatives, the United Way of San Diego County, the Kim Center for Social Balance, Progressive Labor Alliance, as well as being a charter member of the Middle Class Taxpayers Association; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon has stewarded the John S. Lyons Memorial Foundation over the past 14 years in a manner that has expanded that charitable organization's ability to more than triple the number of scholarships it provides annually to students who are college-bound or seeking financial support for continuing education opportunities as well as provide financial assistance and aid to workers across San Diego County during the COVID pandemic; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon has been a strong supporter and partner to a local anti-recidivism community program called Homework, which seeks to place people transitioning back into their communities in good jobs in the building and construction trades, and has helped dozens of participants find positions with union signatory contractors and also supported their applications into joint labor-management apprenticeship programs; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon is a proud veteran of the United States Marine Corps, and graduate of the National Labor College; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon has been a longtime and active member of the Old Mission Bay Athletic Club (OMBAC), and founded the OMBAC Classic Longboard Surfing Contest, which marked its 26th year in 2019; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon has served with distinction on California's Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission since 2015; **AND**

**WHEREAS**, Tom Lemmon is a loving and proud father, and dedicated husband, as well as good friend to many; **NOW THEREFORE**

**BE IT PROCLAIMED**, by the Mayor and the City Council, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim October 21, 2020 to be **"Tom Lemmon Day"** in the City of San Diego.